The goal of the D2 Subway Public and Agency Involvement Plan is to actively inform, educate, and involve the public, stakeholders, and affected agencies to support advancement of the D2 Subway project through the Preliminary Engineering/Environmental Impact Statement (PE/EIS) process, known as Project Development. Feedback will assist the project team in developing a project that it is supported by the broad range of interests along the corridor as well as transit users. Committees and area-specific groups will be formed to create consensus-building opportunities for the areas that have the potential to be most affected by the project.

Figure 1 illustrates the overall framework for the plan, highlighting the proposed work groups and committees, agency coordination, and role of the DART Board of Directors. Ultimately, feedback will go to the DART Board to support decision-making throughout the process.

The Policy & Management group consists of the decision-making bodies (DART Board and Dallas City Council), and the lead Federal agency (Federal Transit Administration). DART staff will manage the project and make technical recommendations. These decision-making bodies will be briefed regularly on progress.

The Public & Stakeholders group will be advisory and focus on issue identification to inform the environmental review and engineering/urban design process. This group will be involved through one-on-one meetings, focus area committees (see Page 2), public meetings, and briefings.

The Technical group will consist of professionals from a range of disciplines that will help to resolve issues related to engineering and design. This will include topics such as utilities, historic buildings, tunnel design, urban design, pedestrian access to stations, traffic considerations and more.
D2 SUBWAY FOCUS AREA COMMITTEES

One of the primary methods to obtain feedback and support project development will be establishment of D2 Subway Focus Area Committees. Participants will sign-up based on their interests in the specific area (property owner, major employer, residential association representative, transit user representative, etc.).

Seven areas (see Figure 2) have been defined as focus areas. Some of these may be combined if appropriate. This approach will allow a smaller group of stakeholders to focus in on key design/access issues related to a specific station area or segment of the project, as well as discuss issues related to temporary construction needs and overall long-term vision of integrating the D2 Subway into downtown.

FIGURE 2: D2 SUBWAY FOCUS AREAS

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